Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-20. (canceled)

21. (currently amended) A system for allowing terminals connected to a communication network to interact in a ~~network~~ virtual recreation environment with other terminals, comprising:

~~means for determining a terminal's location;~~

means for linking ~~a terminal's location~~ each terminal of a plurality of terminals interacting in the virtual recreation environment to a virtual location ~~of~~ in the virtual ~~network~~ recreation environment;

means for transmitting messages between first and second terminals of ~~to said other~~ plurality of terminals, the messages being related to ~~network~~ the virtual recreation environment; and

means for adapting delivery time of messages sent from a the first terminal to ~~another~~ the second terminal by implementing a delay time in the transmission of messages for simulating transmission delays in the ~~network~~ virtual recreation environment ~~or to compensate for variations in connection speeds of the terminals~~.

22. (currently amended) The system according to claim ~~21~~ 38, wherein the means for determining ~~a terminal's~~ an actual location comprises means for inputting a name of a proximate city from a predetermined list of cities and means for equating the each terminal's actual location to a terrestrial location of the proximate city.

23. (currently amended) The system according to claim ~~21~~ 38, wherein the means for determining ~~a terminal's~~ an actual location comprises means for receiving signals from the global positioning system and means for determining the each terminal's actual location accordingly.

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24. (currently amended) The system according to claim ~~21~~ 38, wherein the means for determining ~~a terminal's~~ an actual location comprises means for inputting a postal code and means for equating the each terminal's actual location with the ~~a~~ predetermined terrestrial location associated with the postal code.

25. (currently amended) The system according to claim 21, wherein the means for linking ~~a terminal's location~~ the each terminal to a virtual location ~~is according to~~ uses the each terminal's actual location and virtual distances pertaining to the ~~network~~ virtual recreation environment.

26. (currently amended) The system according to claim 21, wherein the means for transmitting ~~recreation related~~ messages employs at least one of the Internet, Global System for Mobile communication, (GSM), Wireless Application Protocol (WAP), Enhanced Data for GSM Evolution (EDGE), TErrestrial TRunked RAdio (TETRA), and Bluetooth wireless technology.

27. (currently amended) The system according to claim 21, wherein the means for adapting delivery time ~~is according to~~ includes simulating transmission delays based on a virtual distance between the virtual ~~location of a terminal~~ locations of the first and second terminals in the virtual recreation environment.

28.-34. (canceled)

35. (currently amended) The system according to claim 21, wherein the means for adapting delivery time comprises a queue of messages, each of said messages being from a source one of said plurality of terminals and destined for a destination one of said plurality of terminals.

36. (previously presented) The system according to claim 35, wherein each of the messages remains in the queue for a queuing time based on the virtual distance between the source and destination terminals.

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37.   (canceled)

38.   (new) The system according to claim 21, further comprising means for determining an actual location of said each of said plurality of terminals.

39.   (new) The system according to claim 38, wherein said means for linking each terminal of said plurality of terminals to a virtual location includes means for linking the terminal's actual location to the virtual location in the virtual recreation environment.